

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

Diversity is a cornerstone of democracy. You can already see the decline of radio. Major Corporations such as Clear Channel have bought out tons of radio stations across America and now radio programming has become remarkably similar in almost every major market in the U.S. Consumers have begun to realize the stagnant state of radio and that is why services such as XM Satellite Radio (which provides diversity in programming from FM radio) has begun to gain ground.

The following is just one example of how the monopolization of radio has decreased Media Diversity and the negative impact that ensues.